

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

Please cancel Claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please add new dependent claims 12- 17.

1. (cancelled)

2. (cancelled)

1 ~~3~~. (original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4.

2 ~~4~~. (original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2.

5. - 9. (cancelled)

3 ~~10~~. (previously presented) An expression vector comprising a nucleic acid sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

4 ~~11~~. (previously presented) A host cell comprising the expression vector of Claim ~~10~~ ³.

5 ~~12~~. (new) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of Claim ~~3~~ ¹, wherein said nucleic acid molecule has the sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.

6 ~~13~~. (new) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of Claim ~~4~~ ², wherein said nucleic acid molecule has the sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

7 14. (new) The expression vector of Claim ³~~10~~, wherein said nucleic acid sequence is that shown in SEQ ID NO:3.

15. (new) The expression vector of Claim ~~10~~, wherein said nucleic acid sequence is that shown in SEQ ID NO:1.

8 16. (new) The host cell of Claim ⁴~~11~~, wherein said expression vector comprises the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.

17. (new) The host cell of Claim ~~11~~, wherein said expression vector comprises the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.